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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: SHYAMALA, V.  
Confirmation No.: 8395  
U.S. Application No. 10/729,421  
Filing Date: December 5, 2003  
Group Art Unit: 1642  
Examiner: Unassigned  
For: IDENTIFICATION OF OLIGONUCLEOTIDES FOR THE  
CAPTURE, DETECTION AND QUANTITATION OF  
WEST NILE VIRUS

**BLANKET PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE/CREDIT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

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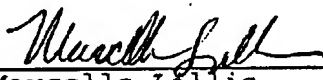
Sir:

If a paper is untimely filed in the subject application by applicant or his representative and such paper is not accompanied by an effective petition for extension of time, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the minimum extension of time required to make said

paper timely. In the event a petition for extension of time is made under the provisions of this paragraph the Assistant Commissioner is hereby requested to charge any fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)-(d) to Deposit Account No. 03-1664.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication and which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 03-1664.

Respectfully submitted,

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